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[54] PYRIMIDINE DERIVATIVES AND OLIGONUCLEOTIDES CONTAINING SAME

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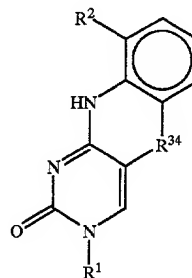
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[57] ABSTRACT

Compounds having structure (1)

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wherein R¹ is —H a protecting group, a linker or a binding partner; and R² and R³⁴ are as defined in the specification. The invention also provides intermediates and methods make the structure (1) compounds, as well as methods to use the compounds as labels in diagnostic assays and to enhance binding to complementary bases.

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